

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

Please replace the paragraph on page 1, lines 6-11, with the following paragraph:

The present invention is directed to similar subject matter as commonly assigned and co-pending U.S. Patent Application Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_ 10/004,955 (Attorney Docket No. AUS920010953US1) entitled "Apparatus and Method for Monitoring Instant Messaging Accounts," filed on even date herewith and hereby incorporated by reference.